

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Eugenio A. Cefali  
Application No. : 08/962,421 Confirmation No.:  
Filed : October 31, 1997  
For : INTERMEDIATE RELEASE NICOTINIC ACID  
COMPOSITIONS FOR TREATING HYPERLIPIDEMIA  
WHICH EXHIBIT AN *IN VIVO* STAIR-STEPPED  
ABSORPTION CURVE  
Group : 1615  
Examiner : James M. Spear

Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is:

[x] An Information Disclosure Statement in the above-  
identified application; and

[X] Form PTO-1449 (in duplicate) with copies of the  
documents cited therein.

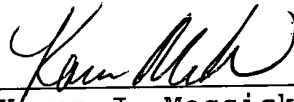
Applicant notes that a Petition to Revive  
Application, a Petition to Withdraw from Issue, a Request for

Continued Examination; a Request to Correct Inventorship; a Preliminary Amendment; and a Request to Perfect Priority Claim were filed in the above-identified application on January 16, 2003.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97, submission of this Statement requires no fee. However, if for any reason a fee is due, the Director is hereby authorized to charge the payment of any fee in connection with this Information Disclosure Statement to Deposit Account No. 50-2543 (Kos). A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 3/17/03

  
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